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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Chelan County

In August 2011 the Department of Health indefinitely suspended the agency affiliated counselor credential of **Roger A. Mayers** (CG60183441) for failing to comply with an agreed order which required him to seek a substance abuse evaluation through Washington Health Professional Services.

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Jennifer I. McManus** (NC10041336) for two years for verbally and physical abusing a patient.

Clark County

In July 2011 the Director of the Office of Health Professions and Facilities and the Director of Transient Accommodations Program started an action to revoke the license of **NCM Management LLC**, doing business as **Value Motel and Value Inn** (FS00003394), for numerous deficiencies found by staff during inspections in March and June 2011. NCM Management LLC has asked for a hearing to contest the action.

In August 2011 the Board of Pharmacy suspended credentials of **Larissa M. Michaelis** (VB60046420, VA60071046) to practice as a pharmacy assistant and pharmacy technician for two years. Her Oregon credentials were suspended in April and the Washington Board of Pharmacy suspended her Washington credentials in June. She waived her right to hearing, resulting in this suspension.

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In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Amber R. Jordan** (RN00144182) due to an emergency suspension of her Oregon credential. Her Oregon credential was suspended for appropriating controlled substances for personal use, misuse of controlled substances, and practicing nursing while impaired.

King County

In August 2011 the Board of Pharmacy indefinitely suspended the credential of pharmacy assistant **Jennifer K. Yee** (VB00050079) for failing to respond to charges of practicing with an expired credential.

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Jan Artis** (NC10021962) for 30 months due to sexual misconduct.

In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission summarily suspended the credential of registered nurse **Stephanie R. Battle** (RN00166823). In June 2011 the Minnesota Board of Nursing suspended her credential to practice as a licensed practical nurse and registered nurse due to a felony conviction for drug possession.

In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Samuel Daeronne Wells** (CO60174864), a chemical dependency professional trainee for failing to comply with the terms of an agreed order to participate in the Washington Health Professional Services Program.

Kitsap County

In August 2011 the Department of Health suspended the nursing assistant credentials of **Stephen A. Turner** (NA60027078, NC60027077) for 42 months due to a felony conviction for trafficking stolen property.

Pierce County

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended for two years the credential of certified nursing assistant **Lucinda Marie Wynn** (NC10016675), due to criminal convictions of bank fraud and misrepresenting Social Security numbers.

In August 2011 the Agency Affiliated Counselor Program suspended for three years the credential of agency affiliated counselor **Susan Haas** (CG60164845) for engaging in a sexual relationship with a client.

Snohomish County

In August the Massage Practitioner Program indefinitely suspended the credential of massage therapist **Brian E. Brownell** (MA60214994) for failing to comply with the terms of an agreed order to seek a substance abuse evaluation through Washington Health Professional Services.

In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Anne M. Walgamott** (RN00167484) for 24 months for failing to comply with the terms of an agreed order to abstain from alcohol use.

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In August 2011 the Nursing care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Aleyamma Thomas** (RN00104070) due to surrender of a registered nursing license and vocational nurse license to the Texas Board of Nursing and providing false information when she applied to review her Texas credential.

Out of State

California: In August 2011 the Department of Health summarily suspended the credential of registered nurse **Christine A. Gotelli** (RN00104776), whose nursing credential in California was revoked by the California State Board of Registered Nursing.

California: In July 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission amended the suspension order of registered nurse **John J. Givens** (RN00145503) to require random testing for opiate use and indefinitely suspended his credential.

Illinois: In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission withdrew charges against registered nurse **Amanda Isley** (RN00177525).

Nebraska: In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **Kelly J. Nekola** (RN00175849), for failing to comply with terms of a probation that began in November 2010.

Oregon: In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential for at least two years of registered nurse **Jennifer L. Baird** (RN00166071) who failed to comply with a 2010 agreement.

Oregon: In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of registered nurse **Anna C. Smith** (RN00170868) who failed to comply with a 2007 agreement. In 2010 Smith's nursing credential in Oregon was revoked by the Oregon State Board of Nursing.

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